NDOR- Spring Flood Road Closure Info

compiled 6-25-11 – 5:00 pm

Always check 511 for the most current info

www.511.nebraska.gov or Call 511 or 800-906-9069

The Items listed here are ONLY those that involve closures due to FLOODING. Check 511 for other events

Due to flash flooding, travelers may encounter items not listed here.

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Highway Number	r - Numerically with General Location Info	Detour Map
NDOR's Recommended Alternate Routes to/from Kansas	Hwy 77 South from Lincoln, NE through Beatrice, NE, and North from Lincoln. Hwy 81 South from York, NE, and North from York to South Dakota	Link to Google Maps
through Nebraska	NOTE: always check 511 web or phone to find out about construction or other events on Nebraska highways	
NOT recommended	Hwy 75 is NOT recommended as an alternate North-South route due to existing construction projects and lane closures, as well as flood mitigation operations	
Hwy 2 from NE City East into Iowa	Hwy 2 is closed from NE City as it runs East into Iowa due to water completely covering Hwy 2 on the IOWA side. Per Iowa DOT, this is expected to be a long-term closure. Hwy 2 West from NE City is open	Link to Google Maps
12	Hwy 12 closed east of Verdel to the Niobrara State Park Recreation Road. The State Park is Open. contact: 402-857-3722 Hwy 12 closed one mile east of Niobrara to the Santee Spur (S-54D) contact: 402-857-3722	YES attached
14 14/37	Hwy 14 is OPEN going South from the Junction of Hwy 12 Hwy 14/37 is closed from the junction with Hwy 12 to the Nebraska-South Dakota border (Standing Bear Bridge)	
30 Blair Crossing to Iowa	This is NOT CLOSED as of 5 pm, however lowa has had a levee break on their side. If and when the water covers the hwy on lowa's side, Nebraska will close their side. Please use the links for lowa on the right to check on this road regularly. This is just advance notice to keep checking.	Link to Iowa News
Hwy 136 from Brownville <u>Eas</u> t into MO	Hwy 136 is closed from Brownville as it runs EAST into MISSOURI. This closure is due to water topping levees on the Missouri side. HWY 136 West from Brownville is open	Link to Google Maps
Hwy 159 from Rulo <u>East</u> into MO	Hwy 159 is closed from Rulo as it runs EAST into MISSOURI. This closure is due to a levee break on the Missouri side at Big Lake resulting in water over the road on the Missouri side. Hwy 159 West from Rulo is open	Link to Google Maps
I-680 into Iowa	Closed due to IOWA DOT closure of I-29 – Flooding –	YES attached
From Iowa DOT Link for	6-12-11 – Iowa has a new website that has a Google-based map, updated regularly, of their flooded roads. Any detour maps for IOWA may also be found at the site. http://www.iowadot.gov/floods/index.html	<u>LINK</u>

Contacts and Links for Flood Related Info

Nebraska Department of Roads Flood Info Page

(the NDOR Flood Info page is subscribable)

NEMA - Nebraska Daily Flood Update This Daily Update has a lot of info on city & county streets, too (once on the NEMA page, scroll down to the newsroom area)	NDOR News Releases (once on this page, you may SUBSCRIBE to Nebraska's News Releases) SUBSCRIBE HERE to Receive Automatic Emails when the NEBRASKA Flood Info Page is Updated	IOWA DOT News Releases (once on this page, you may SUBSCRIBE to lowa's News Releases) KANSAS DOT Traffic Alert Page	MISSOURI DOT News Releases (once on this page, SCROLL to e-updates. You may then SUBSCRIBE to Missouri's News Releases)
Link to travel info for other states www.safetravelusa.com	Ů.	If you have questions about closures on County Roads or City Streets due to Flooding, you should contact the appropriate City or County	

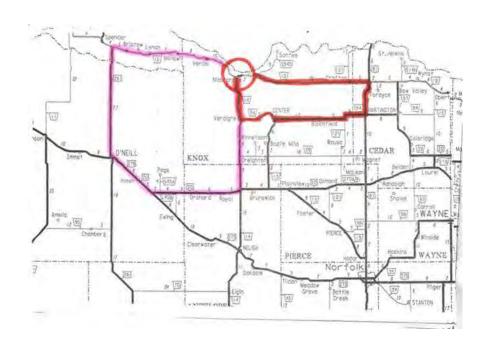
Niobrara – Hwy 12 Flood Detour

Due to water over the road, Hwy 12 is closed East of Niobrara from the East edge of Niobrara to the Santee Spur. A west section of Hwy 12 is also closed from Verdel to approximately 3 miles West of Niobrara.

West Hwy 12 traffic should take US Hwy 81, south to Hwy 84, then west on 84 to 84/13 junction, West on Hwy 13 the junction of 13/14 at Verdigre. Travel south on Hwy 14 to US Hwy 20, then west to the west junction of US281/20 located in O'Neill, then North on US281 to the junction of Hwy 12.

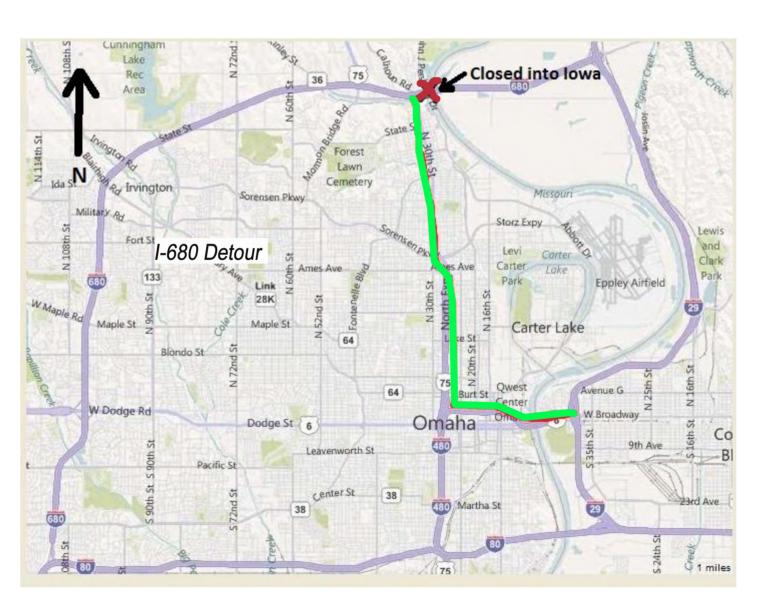
Hwy 12 East traffic should travel South on US281 from the 281/12 junction to the junction of US20/US281, then East on US20 to the junction of US20/hwy14, then North on 14 to the junction of 14/13 at Verdigre. From Verdigre, East on Hwy 13 to the 13/84 junction, East on Hwy 84 to US 81, North on 81 to the junction of Hwy 12.

Those traveling to Niobrara may take the North route on Hwy 14 form the 14/13 junction located at Verdigre.



Closure of I-680 into Iowa

Detour Route: All traffic must exit I-680 at 30th St. (exit 13). Directed to US 75 south, follow US 75 south to I-480 or option to I-80.





Driving Flood Facts

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- DO NOT DRIVE THROUGH FLOODED AREAS...Even if it looks shallow enough to cross.
- <u>Six inches</u> of water will reach the bottom of most passenger cars causing loss of control and possible stalling.
- A foot of water will float many vehicles. Water only one foot deep can displace 1500 lbs!
- Two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles including sport utility vehicles (SUV's) and pick-ups.
- Roadways concealed by floodwaters may not be intact.
- Be aware of areas where floodwaters have recently receded. Roads may have weakened and could collapse under the weight of a car.
- The large majority of deaths due to flash flooding are due to people driving through flooded areas.

Flood: Know Your Terms

Flood Watch:

Flooding is possible. Tune in to NOAA Weather Radio, commercial radio, or television for information.

Flash Flood Watch:

Flash flooding is possible. Be prepared to move to higher ground; listen to NOAA Weather Radio, commercial radio, or television for information.

Flood Warning:

Flooding is occurring or will occur soon; if advised to evacuate, do so immediately.

Flash Flood Warning:

A flash flood is occurring; seek higher ground on foot immediately.